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## DEATH FOR ROBBERS.

### Fate That Awaits Bandits In New Mexico.

### HELD UP SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRAIN

The Five Men Captured by Wells Fargo Express Officers and Deputy U. S. Marshals in Eastern Arizona. The Penalty Is Death In That Territory.

SILVER CITY, N. M., Dec. 15.—Wells Fargo Express company's special officers and deputy United States marshals have captured in Eastern Arizona five of the train robbers engaged in the attempted robbery of the Southern Pacific's Sunset flyer at Stein's pass last Thursday night. They will be brought to New Mexico for trial. The penalty for train robbery in this territory is death.

WOMEN WANT A BUILDING.

Patriotic Ladies Meet and Plan for the New National University.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—A meeting of prominent American women has been held at the Hotel Raleigh to discuss plans for a George Washington memorial building in connection with the proposed national university in this city. The meeting was secret, but it is reported that the ladies expect to raise \$20,000 for a memorial building, to be devoted to the administration offices of the university, \$5,000 to be raised in time to lay the cornerstone in December.

It was also suggested that Feb. 2, Washington's birthday, be made a day of national offering to the fund, and that the children of the public schools throughout the country should be invited to contribute 1 cent each to the fund.

Among those present at the meeting were the chairman, Mrs. Ellen A. Richardson, Boston; vice president, Mrs. Calvin S. Brice, N. Y.; Mrs. William T. Carter, Pennsylvania; Mrs. H. H. Adams, Connecticut; Mrs. W. A. Roebeling, New Jersey; Mrs. Clara R. Anthony, Massachusetts; Mrs. L. S. Boyd, Georgia; Mrs. Charles F. Dailey, Rhode Island; Mrs. William Reed, Maryland; Mrs. Hope S. Chamberlain, North Carolina; Mrs. L. D. M. Sweat, Maine; Mrs. M. K. McNeil, South Carolina; Mrs. Alice B. Castleman, Louisville, Ky.

CATHOLIC BEN-VOLENT SOCIETY.

Board of Trustees of Mutual Association In Session at Buffalo.

BUFFALO, Dec. 15.—A joint meeting of the board of trustees of the supreme council of the Catholic Mutual Benevolent Association of the United States and of the board of trustees of the state organizations is being held here. The object of the joint session is to devise ways and means to promote the organization. It is in a flourishing condition now and the members hope to increase the membership. The C. M. B. A. is organized in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Kansas and Canada.

These national officials attended the meeting: Supreme president, Michael Finnegan, Detroit; supreme first vice president, John Molony, Pittsburgh; supreme recorder, C. J. Hickey, New York; supreme treasurer, James M. Weis, Hornellsville, N. Y.; supreme marshal, D. D. Hughes, Titusville, Pa.; trustees, William J. Bulter, Chicago; Frank Randall, Cleveland, and T. T. Kenna, Letroit, the legal adviser of the organization, among them says:

HAITI AGAIN IN TROUBLE.

This Time Italy Will Forceably Collect a Claim.

PORT AU PRINCE, Dec. 15.—More trouble of a kind similar to the recent Lueders affair threatens Haiti and Port au Prince may have to face another menace of bombardment.

Haiti has long had claims against Haiti and these, it is alleged, have never been settled. One claim, which has been pending since 1919, was the case of the merchant at Port de Paix, whose vessel and cargo, worth \$10,000, were, it is alleged, illegally seized and sold by the Haitian government. The other case was that of an Italian fisherman who was assassinated here last October, the man who was accused of committing the crime not having been brought to justice yet.

Italy, it is reported, intends to push the settlement of these claims at once and rumors have reached here that Italian warships are being sent here to back up the demands.

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## GAGE'S FINANCIAL PLANS.

He Will Appear Tomorrow With One General Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Secretary Gage will appear before the house committee on banking and currency tomorrow and submit to them in the form of a general bill his recommendations recently made to congress.

The determination of Secretary Gage to appear and submit one general financial bill instead of a number of separate bills, brought out many expressions of satisfaction. It had the effect of clearing up a situation which was becoming strained, and gave promise of an early report to congress on financial bills. The understanding was reached on a result of a visit to the capital of the son of the treasury, Mr. Connell, representing Mr. Gage. He talked with a number of the other Republican leaders and, it is understood, was advised by Mr. Ingley and others that it would be desirable to embrace financial subjects in one general bill. Later, the solicitor met Chairman Walker and other members of the committee on banking and currency and a general conference was held as to what should be done.

It was made known that Mr. Gage preferred to let the subject go over until after the holiday recess. The committee urged, however, that it deserved to take the Gage bill and also that submitted by the monetary conference under consideration during the holidays in order to be in a position to report progress when the house reconvened after the recess. It was decided, therefore, that Mr. Gage should submit his measure tomorrow and appear in person to explain and argue its merits and answer questions from the committee. It was also made clear that the secretary would cover all his proposals in one general bill, instead of cutting the subject up.

This arrangement gave general satisfaction and having accomplished this much the members of the committee canvassed the course they would take as to making an immediate report to the house on the currency question. It was decided that the first thing to be done was to report a bill embodying the three features recommended by the president, viz.: A reduction of the tax on circulation to one-half of 1 percent; the issuance of circulation up to the par value of bonds deposited, and the establishment of small banks in rural communities.

While those will be embodied in the Gage plan, yet as they were special, advised in the president's message, it was felt to be advisable to give the house the opportunity of acting on them at once without waiting for the report on the Gage bill. For these reasons the full committee will be asked to report on the president's plan at once. The draft of a bill has been prepared by Mr. Josias (Pa.) and was given to the solicitor of the treasury, who is to return it in time for action by the committee with such suggestions as the treasury authorities may wish to make.

As to the comprehensive Gage bill, this and the monetary conference bill will be gone over with care during the holidays, and as a result of the better feeling created, members of the banking and currency committee say there is no further doubt that action will be reported to the house soon after the holidays.

ALLEN MUCH DISPLEASED.

He Writes Criticizing the President's Cuban Policy.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 15.—Ethan Allen, national president of the Cuban American League, has addressed a sensational letter from New York to Mr. J. H. Payne, treasurer of the local Cuban League of this city. He says that the league has awakened patriotic public sentiment, and thus says:

But I fear McKinley. Personally, I have great regard for him, and as a Republican he is my president. But the money power has his ear and will tempt him to delay the work now ripe for him to do. This will be a grave mistake. No man can safely postpone doing now whatever is the proper thing to do. It is trifling with consequences as well as duty. Thus will be re-erected by the American people, and I among them. Our secretary had a long conference with the president two days ago, and thus was he impressed, though kindly received.

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## DAWSON'S DIVERSIONS.

Miners Have Money to Burn and Burn It.

### A TYPICAL SOCIAL FUNCTION.

Dancing Is Expensive, but Popular—Crapple Creek Carrie, the Belle—The Man With Pumps and a Boiled Shirt—Novel Features of Klondike Gambling.

If there is one place in the whole world where money has no value it is in the Klondike. You see this exemplified in the social life—if such it may be called—of the mining camps as you see it now here else.

The principal diversions of Dawson are the gambling saloons and the dance halls. The most profitable industry is the sale of liquor, the saloons paying no revenue to the government. Beer and whisky sell for 50 cents a drink. The gambling saloons are run wide open day and night and the dance halls never close until daylight. It may be remarked incidentally that there are two churches, one a Roman Catholic and the other a Protestant Episcopal. I fancy it would make some of your Fifth Avenue congregations stare to see the collection plates being passed up with great gusto on Sundays writes a New York Herald correspondent.

I often wonder out in this wild spot what the result is when they get themselves high rollers in the days of the old Tenderloin world's track of Dawson. The Tenderloin world's track of Dawson. The Tenderloin world's track of Dawson. I was in the old Polack toe-the-night—and the girls in Leavenworth. It is no use as what it name might be—with Swiftwater Bill, a young man who helps from Spokane, Wash. came in and announced with a whoop that he was going to "burst the bank."

Swiftwater Bill owns some of the richest claims on El Dorado creek, and when he breaks loose the dust is sure to fly. Bill took a seat at the table, and in just one hour he had lost \$7,500 in gold nuggets.



EVENING DIVERSIONS AT DAWSON CITY.

gets. "Things don't seem to be coming my way tonight," he remarked as he rose from his seat and stretched himself. "Let the house have a drink at my expense."

There was a rush for the bar, and waiters carried drinks to the various tables where games were in progress. That round cost Bill \$112. Then he litigated a \$1.50 cigar and strolled out.

Games involving \$5,000 and \$10,000 are running night and day. Professional dealers of "banking games" receive \$20 a day. The manner of hazard money is unique even in a mining camp. The player takes his seat at the table and passes over his sack of gold dust to the dealer, who drops it into a small pincushion. The chance of not playing his sack involves upon the player \$1,000. He is given full credit and can cash out any day from the check rack as he desires.

As the checks come in, one at a time, it is dropped on his sack. At the conclusion of the play the chips on hand are added to the account of the sack. The dealer hands the player a slip of paper showing the condition of the account, and the latter takes it and his sack of gold to the bar. If he has lost, he weighs out his gold dust, or, in the event of winning, the bar keeper does the paying.

About 4 o'clock one morning a miner known as Shorty left his seat at the table where he had been playing all night, saying that he had gone broke. The dealer handed him his bag of dust and his slip, the latter corresponding almost to a grain with the value of the gold. Shorty walked over to the bar and invited a couple of other miners to have a drink. Then he was seized with a fatal fit of forgetfulness.

"Forgot nothing!" exclaimed Shorty, and the door swung out. When it rebounded, it stopped half way, obstructed in its inward passage by the body of a dying man. A flash of flame and the report of a pistol from somewhere in that low ceilinged smoke-laden room explained the draft of cold air that came in through the half open door. Shorty was buried the next day.

In the effete cast there is a fine distinction between the society man and the clubman. The same distinction is drawn here. The club is the gambling saloon, society is the dance hall. I wish some of the matrons who lend dignity to the Patriarchal ball could have been with me last night when I attended a "soiree" at the Morning Star.

I got in about midnight although the dancing began as early as 7 o'clock in the evening. The building is a large one, built of logs, but with a floor of rough hewn boards. It answers every purpose however, for the mazy waltz and the two step are not popular with these boisterous

Virginia reels or the plain quadrille, with lots of room to throw their feet about. You could cut the tobacco laden atmosphere with a knife. Through the blue haze the figures of a couple of musicians could be faintly distinguished, fiddling away for dear life and calling out "Habay all!" "Swing yer partners!" "Ladies through!" as the occasion demanded. They received \$10 a night for doing this, and they earned every penny of it.

At one side extending the entire length of the room, was the bar, and the three dispensers of drinks were kept quite as busy as the fiddlers. Beer, whisky and cigars were retailed at 50 cents. A poor quality of champagne sold for \$20 a pint and a somewhat better brand brought \$10.

Of course the men greatly outnumbered the women. There were probably a dozen of the latter, some of them young and quite pretty. They have little or no time to rest between the dances, and when the morning sun peeps over the eastern mountains he finds them a jaded and somewhat bedraggled lot. But they charge \$1 for every dance, and Crapple Creek Carrie, the belle of the "dancing set," has been known to make as much as \$100 a night tripping the light fantastic to the music of the band.

A young man whom they called Pinkey was pointed out to me as the social leader of Dawson City. He was the only man in the room who wore a boiled shirt. When he goes to a dance which is almost every night, he carries a pair of pumps with him. He leaves his boots behind the bar, dons his shirt, ties and sits in a wind chair at Leipsieberg in dissertation. Pinkey has been known to buy \$2.40 worth of dances in three successive nights.

Most of the men wore their ordinary working clothes, with top boots or heavy, spike bottom shoes. Their heads were covered by broad brimmed hats which they never removed, and in their mouths were iron buttons which seemed equally stationary.

Personal vanity in the matter of dress is an item of small expense in Dawson City. I paid \$1.75 for having a white shirt washed and ironed the other day, and then I couldn't wear it. The misguided laundress had not only starched and ironed the bosom, but had subjected the entire garment to that operation. It might have been all right for a suit of mail, but as an article of fine silk wearing apparel it was quite out of the question.

### French Cookery Dishes.

M. Geron, a Parisian grocer, captured a burglar who had entered his house. The man confessed that he was a waiter in a restaurant. M. Geron was a frequenter of cafes and had often pondered on the mysteries of restaurant cookery. The opportunity was now offered to satisfy his curiosity. He made a compact with the waiter that if the latter would truthfully reveal the composition of certain dishes he would release him.

In reply to the question as to the ingredients of chicken croquettes, the man mentioned every aliment except fowl, which was never employed. As regards a zambayon the revelations were of such a character that M. Geron "for the honor of France" decided to disclose them to the reporter. The waiter was instigated by the same patriotic sentiment when he was requested to give the formula for a goulache. This he positively declined to do, even to secure his liberty. M. Geron considered the refusal as a breach of the compact, whereupon he summoned the police. Zambayon is a term probably corrupted from saucisson, a ragout composed of meat and vegetables, and as such susceptible of any sort of clandestine treatment at the hands of an experienced restaurant cook. A real goulache, or galash, is a Hungarian composition of lamb and rump-steak stewed in a puree of tomatoes and onions, meat glace, butter and paprika. The obscurity of the waiter in refusing to disclose the ingredients of this dish as used in Paris was probably inspired by professional prudence with M. Geron. Like all boar-gous, he was not endowed with a sufficient sense of humor to appreciate it.

Stoves and Ranges Used at Sea.

Stoves and ranges used at sea have two peculiarities. One is that the doors are made to turn down and not to swing, and have fastenings to hold them so firmly when they are shut, so that they can't possibly fly open. The other peculiarity is in the rack on top. It is only four or five inches and runs along the edge of the stove to keep the pots and kettles from sliding off.

Some stoves and ranges used at sea also provide with cross rods which run from the fixed rod at the back of the stove to the rod in front across the stove, so that the doors and hold them down and keep them from shutting. They are used in very heavy weather, when the ship is rolling. For this reason these stoves are more popular than those in the year on American ships.

With this in mind the front rail of the stove is usually taken out, and the stove is then laid across the top of the stove, so as to have with a stove about 2000° F. You can

### Keep the Mouth Shut.

As a guard to his wife's love needs, and by the way, to sell all a sash will need, and as it is necessary to take care of the mouth, for it was not intended for her to eat purposes, the man has a sash to this purpose and having the advantage that it keeps the man and strains from it masticating matters injurious to the lady. Remember the mouth is exclusively needed as a port of entry and a port of exit. Crystalized thought, the chief medium of communication between man and man. It is well for all to remember, though unfortunately the sick and suffering and the aged have especially to remember that save in rare exceptions un-kissed kisses are the best. The kiss is only good for family use, and since we know that more than 100 varieties of microbes have their home in the average disinfected mouth the aseptic kiss is the only permissible one anywhere.—Medical Mirror.

### Old Time Servants.

Servants were servants away back in 1566 just as farred, in fact, as the woman who bosses them, and both were much as they are in this end of the century yet. Servants were fined in these days for each trivial offense. A penny was thought enough to fine a servant who left open a door that should have been closed, and the same fine could be imposed for missing family prayers or leaving the keys of the house unmade later than 8 o'clock in the morning. The cook might have a beam, but she had to pay a fine every time he came off a penny. If such rules were enforced now, madam would find herself with out "lady help" in short order.—Philadelphia Ledger.

### A Self-Sacrificing Friend.

"Yes," said the policeman, "I said I was the workingman's friend."

"But you don't do any work," suggested the man with calloused hands.

"No, not at present."

"And you never did any work?"

"That's true. You see, what the workingman most needs is work, and I am too much the workingman's friend to run any risk of taking work away from him"—Washington Star.

### End of the Argument.

"If I were in your shoes," said Mrs. Doncaster, "I would!"

"Hold on right there," interrupted Mrs. Burbeck. "Let us not go beyond the realm of possibilities."

Three seconds later the front door was shut with a loud bang.—Cleveland Leader.

### True Friendship.

Bessie—Flora, I've often thought of friendship, but I've never been able to make out really what it is.

Flora—I'll say, in instance—it's letting another sit in my chair for two hours when you're trying to tell her yours.—London Sun

### Expert Doctor.

Ancient Egyptian doctors knew the grain and the permanent teeth for each which MC V. Lope de Ayala discovered in medical and dental terms occur in the celebrated Flores peritus, but the meaning had not been proved.

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He adopted the following plan, which is peculiar to the large cities, and in very large cities the practice of country doctors, viz.

he carefully notes the symptoms of the patient, and a certain number of cases, and carefully records in his ledger for future reference. In this way he ascertains the true nature of the disease, and can consult him, and he can easily tell whether he can cure it or not.

He is a man of great tact and knowledge.

HIS IMPROVED METHODS OF TREATMENT.

Are mild and pleasant, and so perfectly suited to the condition of the patient, that he can be easily treated.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1897.

The present council is a good one, and  
the taxpayer will profit himself by keep-  
ing the standard high.

It is barely possible that 11,500 Repub-  
licans voted against Senator Hanna last  
November, but THE INDEPENDENT quite  
agrees with the Cleveland World that  
even if the allegation is true, over 400,-  
000 citizens did vote for him, and that is  
the reason why he will be returned to  
the Senate.

With simple and appropriate ceremonies, the mother of the President was laid to rest on Tuesday afternoon, and a vast number joined in a manifestation of deep feeling and respect. And in no other country under the sun could such a funeral have taken place under similar circumstances. Although thousands gathered to witness the last sad scenes, perfect order prevailed, without attempt or need of police control.

The news that actual work is being done to secure the right of way for an electric railroad to connect Massillon and Dalton is good news, as far as it goes. Many local interests and every farmer on the projected line needs the road. The electric road from Cleveland to Wooster seems likely to be built on something more substantial than paper next summer, and Massillon's Dalton line could easily connect with it. It is easier to plan railroads than to construct them, and therefore every encouragement should be given to those who are endeavoring to increase our transportation facilities. A road to Dalton would minimize the unpleasant possibilities which may follow the completion of Mr. Camp's railroad from Wooster to West Lebanon.

The peaceful death of old Mrs. McKinley, on Sunday morning, brought to an end a long and happy life, tempered by many trials and crowned by the greatest happiness that can befall a mother. Utterly unspoiled by the many successes of her distinguished son, and incapable of departing from the ways of right thinking and doing, she stood as a splendid type of American motherhood. With few of the opportunities of wealth or environment, with the necessity upon her of struggling with a round of unceasing domestic duties, her mind broadened, her character sweetened, and she grew gracefully into old age. Surrounded by her children and children's children, and preferring the quiet life of her simple home to any other, she has enjoyed the great privilege of seeing her son inducted into the most exalted office within the gift of his countrymen. It was no wonder that such a mother should be blessed with such a son.

Massillon is recovering its ancient prestige as a wheat market these days. The buyers of this city are paying from two to four cents more per bushel, than the buyers in other local markets, and farmers are well aware of the fact. One reason for this is that wheat brought to Massillon is ground up into flour right here, while at most places in this vicinity it is bought for shipment, and several commissions must be paid before the grain reaches the miller. On Saturday eight wagon loads of grain were hauled into Massillon from some point near Alliance, and every day great quantities are brought here from places far distant. It is pleasant to observe this form of business activity, and very much to be desired that the mills shall continue to enjoy their present lucrative trade. Massillon flour should displace every other brand in the home market. It is as good as any, as cheap as any, and its manufacture here is no small item in the sum total of our prosperity. Massillon flour is sold in Great Britain, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and the South, and there is none better.

Mr. Gompers, the president of the American Federation of Labor, is disposed to complain because the courts have forbidden boycotting, and suggests that hereafter when firms are denounced the expression of the grievance shall be followed by the words, "we have been forbidden by the courts from boycotting this concern." Organized labor would do well to discharge its mission and let boycotting alone. It is true, as the North American Review declares, that "if the unions, instead of seeking to increase the effect of the boycott by forcing retailers to buy union-made goods at higher prices on penalty of ruin, would devise a label which should mean superior goods for less money, they would not need to go to the expense of sending examining committees around." The results of a boycott in the rare cases when it is effective are all very well for the union, but how about the other nine-tenths of workers who, according to Mr. John Graham Brooks, are not union men? They

no more certain way of making the rich richer and the poor poorer. Mr. Gompers will have to dig deeper into his philosophy to justify the boycott. Labor organizations can do much to improve conditions of labor, but they ought to see, and in very many cases do see, the unwise of stepping aside from their proper field.

**IMPROVEMENT OF THE COUNTRY SCHOOLS.**

To the Editor of THE INDEPENDENT:

In refutation to an article in which I advocated the increase of the school term and supervision for the country schools, the same to be mandatory laws enacted by the state legislature, the Newman correspondent and a gentleman signing himself "J. W. E." both declare that it is unnecessary and that the township boards have power to increase the school term. Both are in favor of more school, but the fact is the township boards have always been averse to more than eight months, either through economy or the unconcern of the people or both. As these gentlemen seem to be learned in the school law, I would like to know if the minimum term of six months could not be increased to nine or ten months, the amount of school the country children need. This would take the responsibility out of the hands of the economic directors. The six months' law is of old standing and ought to be changed to suit the present requirements of the times.

"J. W. E." says I am mistaken in stating that many country children begin work at 13 or 14 years of age, and talk about farming machinery, etc., as if all the children belonged to farmers. If he investigates the mining districts of Stark county he will find out who is mistaken.

He also admits that bad roads reduce the attendance, but fails to see that a longer term will make up the deficiency, and suggests Coxey's plan of improving the roads, which, of course, is a cure for everything. He also reminds us that there is a law to allow the township to erect a township high school, but this is impracticable, because the distance to attend the school would be too great for the pupils to travel. And to sum up the arguments of "J. W. E." it would seem he is trying to misrepresent the real condition of the country schools, a sample of which is in his last argument, clothed in a bombastic style, where he says Grant, Sherman, Sheridan and Garfield emanated from the country schools. The first three are graduates of West Point Military academy, and Garfield of Hiram college.

I do not believe there is a person of intelligence who is interested in education and the advancement of the country school that would not sanction the increase of the second term. In the last annual report of the superintendent of public instruction in Pennsylvania, Dr. Schaefer says: "If the country boys and girls are as good as those of the city, they desire equal educational facilities."

And in regard to supervision, is safe to say, there is no educational institution, outside of the country school, that is without a superintendent. Remove the superintendent of the city schools and you would soon find they would lose uniformity of action. It is chiefly due to those leaders of our city schools that the best methods of instruction have been carried out, and the present perfect state of public instruction attained. There is no branch of the government service, whether civil or military, that is not subject to a rigid inspection and supervision, and no business concern, of any size, without its managers and directors.

Reasoning as above would it not be a benefit to the rural districts and a matter of economy as well to make county supervision mandatory? Were the two hundred schools of Stark county organized under an efficient and energetic leader there is no doubt that more and better work would be achieved. For these and other reasons the country schools are in an inferior condition. Equal opportunities should be granted the country youth. A good example may be shown to illustrate it in the classified civil service of the United States. In the competitive examinations only the most carefully educated stand any chance of obtaining a position on the list of eligibles, so that the boys from the country schools will be practically out-classed owing to the inequalities of our educational systems.

J. C. B.

**EDWARD WIKIDAL'S WILL.**  
His Housekeeper to Have His Property—  
Other Court News.

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**What it Cost Mr. Graham to Sell Rheumatic Cure.**

**JOHN WELSHENBAUGH ON TRIAL.**

The County Commissioners Offer a Reward for the Apprehension of Hartong's Murderers—Grand and Pettit Jurors Drawn—A Variety of Probate Court News.

CANTON, Dec. 14.—The trial of John Welshenbaugh, of Massillon, indicted for burglary and larceny, was begun before Judge McCarty this morning. J. A. Graham, who recently came to Massillon from Canton, pleaded guilty Monday afternoon to the charge of unlawful practice of medicine, by preparing and selling a rheumatic cure, was fined \$25 and the costs. Charles Simmons, of Canton, admitted to having kept his saloon open on Sunday, and was fined \$35 and sentenced to the workhouse for fifteen days. Beatty Scott, charged with larceny and arrested at Canal Fulton, entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to serve thirty days in the workhouse and fined \$50. This sentence will begin at the expiration of Scott's present sentence. Isaac Noll, of Canton, indicted for violating the Sunday closing law, pleaded guilty this morning. Court adjourned at noon on account of the funeral of Mrs. McKinley.

Lawyer Shaw, of Pittsburg, representing the Stark Electric Railway Company, which proposes to construct a line between Canton and Alliance, applied to the Canton council, last night, for right of way in North Market and other streets. A petition signed by property owners on the several streets named, requesting that the right of way be granted, was also presented. The matter was referred to the railway committee for investigation.

The Stark county commissioners last night decided to offer a reward of \$600 for the capture and conviction of the murderers of John Hartong, of Green-town. Mr. Hartong, who was past 80 years of age, was beaten by four masked robbers and died from the wounds received.

Jennings S. Marquis, of Canton, assigned Monday afternoon to James M. Fife. The assets are estimated at \$1,800 and liabilities \$2,000. Wm. H. Morgan, W. H. Ramsey and Edwin Morgan have been appointed trustees of the estate of Thomas R. Morgan, of Alliance. The third partial account has been filed in the estate of William Rubright, of Lake township. The guardian of Leah Holbaugh, of Marlboro township, has filed the fifth partial account.

The grand jury for the January term has been drawn by County Clerk Casselman and is as follows: W. W. Webb, Alliance; Alexander Camp, Sugar Creek; Jacob Knoll, Washington; H. Graham, Plain; Henry Friend, Tuscarawas; Samuel Grimes, Alliance; S. H. Rockhill, Canton; Thomas Lavers, Massillon; Jacob Fohl, Bethlehem; H. H. Snyder, Tuscarawas; John Wilson, Washington; W. W. Goodman, Canton; Jacob E. Mishler, Canton township; Herman Barnes, Canton; L. D. Roath, Lexington; A. Hammerly, Canton; Frank Transue, Alliance.

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**A Brakeman Injured.**

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**Falls Into a Tub of Hot Water.**

The 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Richards, of 140 Richville avenue, during her mother's absence from the room, on Monday, climbed to the edge of a tub filled with hot water, and, losing her balance, fell in. Her cries soon brought her mother to the rescue, and Dr. Hattery was summoned. Though suffering great agony, and being still in a serious condition, there are good hopes for her recovery.

**WISDOM IN WAR PAINT.**

**He Carries the Feud Even Into Zion Church.**

**NOTHING WILL APPEASE HIS WRATH**

The Belligerent Worships with a Knife and a Rock About His Person, and a Steely Glitter in His Eye that Betokens Evil to James Myer.

There is no reason to believe that the bloody chasm that yawns between the Myers and Wisdom families will grow narrower with time, for now Joe Wisdom, like a true son of his father, so an affidavit at the mayor's office as much as says, has taken up the quarrel, and is on Jim Myers' trail with a hatred and desire for vengeance as deep and fierce as any that ever filled the bosom of a Hatterfield or a McCoy.

Mr. Wisdom is supposed to have attended services at the A. M. E. Zion church, Sunday evening, with a dirk in his shirt front and rocks in his hands, his main purpose, according to the affidavit, being to drink of the gore of one Jim Myers, while incidentally he meant to alarm the congregation. Mr. Myers, the affiant, also says that when Mr. Frederick Thompson, a fellow trustee of the church, passed the contribution basket to Mr. Wisdom he dropped in a blank piece of paper and with many oaths and much laughter demanded his change.

Colored society circles are much perturbed over the state of things, and while some are taking sides with the principals, by far the majority are standing aloof, breathless and wondering when and where it will all end. Mr. Wisdom will have his trial at 9 o'clock Thursday.

**POINTS ABOUT PICKLES.**

Farmers Hereabouts want to Go Into Cucumber Culture'

There were many farmers in Massillon, on Saturday, and among them was Mr. Joseph Leifer, one of the most prosperous tillers of the Sugar Creek valley, and a trustee of the township. "If I lived nearer to Massillon," said he, "I think I would interest myself in this scheme to bring here a pickling concern and sauerkraut and catsup manufactory. Down at Beach City there is a canning factory and some of the farmers who raise tomatoes and sell them there, make a great deal more money than those who don't. When you have a market for them, cucumbers, cabbage, tomatoes and such things are profitable products, and I should think that the farmers of this vicinity would be stirring themselves to create such a market."

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**The True Story of Unfortunate Wm. Carr.**

**HE WAS CAST AWAY BY TRAMPS.**

Death Came to Him Because of Too Much Drink—The Hill is Opposed to Civil Service Reform—News About the Mines and Miners.

NEWMAN, Dec. 15.—The death of Wm. Carr as announced in Monday's INDEPENDENT, was a sorrowful event, and so aroused our people as to take charge of the remains and have a decent burial from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Clapper, on Monday afternoon, E. W. DeHoff conducting the service, in the church, to a large and attentive audience. Undertaker J. D. Daily, of Canal Fulton, deserves great credit for arraying the remains in such manner as they could be viewed by all at the close of the services. The victim was truly a victim of circumstances. He was dropped off at the brick yard by a gang of tramps, several years ago, and was pushed around from house to house until Mr. Clapper gave him a home. He was a kind-hearted, honest young man, but was easily led on too much imbibing in strong drink, and which was the direct cause of his untimely death.

This should prove standing warning for all who are acquainted with the condition of affairs. THE INDEPENDENT was misinformed when it stated that the remains were buried in Canal Fulton and that he was perfectly sober Saturday evening. We regret to say that from the best information receivable he was under the influence of strong drink when seen by his comrades Saturday night. We have no doubt but THE INDEPENDENT's informant meant well when he colored the case up for the public eye as best he could, but we concluded that for the benefit of the young and rising generation, it was best for the truth to be known as a warning for others, and in justice to THE INDEPENDENT we make this friendly correction. Our people are circulating a subscription list to raise sufficient funds to procure a tombstone to mark his last resting place, thus showing the respect our people have for one who has no relative to care for the departed, besides showing the esteem in which the deceased was held by those who knew him.

We feel safe in predicting that the civil service portions of President McKinley's message will fail to meet the approval of his Ohio orators who fought, bled and died for his election and are now awaiting the arrival of a commission informing them of their appointment. We notice that several of Stark county's noble sons are tired of waiting and are now enjoying Washington society in order to hurry their respective appointments along.

"J. W. E." of Tuscarawas township article on the "Country Schools" in reply to "J. C. B." is a combination of peculiar ideas, out as we are not aching for a controversy and do not believe in double teaming any one we will keep hands off and allow "J. C. B." the distinguished honor of handling the case in reply.

We notice that some of our Cleveland operators are apparently a little uneasy relative to the advance the coal miners expect or are in fact entitled to receive for mining the coming year. While it is a foregone conclusion that they are to have an advance in the next adjustment of the prices, yet there seems to be an uneasiness in the minds of some as to the amount the advance should be. This thing of people talking of Ohio demanding an advance independent of the Pittsburgh district is all bosh, we believe the demand will be uniform all over the competing districts. Our officials are not asleep and will give the necessary information at the proper time and will also have figures and data to justify their demands for the advance asked.

Mr. Charles Krider, ex-sheriff, farmer and horticulturist, however, does not agree with all that has here been said. He thinks that it would not pay to grow that sort of thing in land so well adapted to the production of cereals as that of Stark county.

Mr. and Mrs. Jabez Thomas, of Navarre, spent last Thursday in our village. The convention of the Federation of Labor, at Columbus, last week, failed to accomplish anything of any great importance, and we believe the Federation remained true to their declaration and

discovered this week by independent investigators.  
Elkansas W. McFarren left, today, for Bay City, Mich.  
Uncle Silas Wheatmore, of York state, spending the week with G. L. and D. Hackett 16 West Main street.  
The Rev. Dr. Geo. B. Smith of the First M. E. church attended one funeral and married couples at 4:30, 5, and 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday.

Mr. Fred Slicker and Miss Arrilla Shearer were quietly married in their own Plum street home, Tuesday evening, at 5 o'clock, by the Rev. Dr. Smith.

Mr. Oliver Farmer and Miss Martha Farmer, both of North Lawrence, were married at 4:30 Tuesday afternoon, at the parsonage of the First M. E. church, by the Rev. Geo. B. Smith.

Joseph Grapewine, who is now in the West inspecting government timber, writes that it is the desire of his life to be at home on Christmas, but that there are many things which may turn up to disappoint him.

THE INDEPENDENT want columns reach town and country readers, and their use increases from month to month. The new arrangement whereby they appear in the weekly edition is greatly increasing their efficiency.

The regular Pennsylvania railway pay day fell on Sunday, this month, and consequently the sixty local employees will not be paid until tomorrow. The car left for Pittsburgh this morning, and will reach Alliance tonight.

Dr. Hardy was called upon to dress the injuries of T. F. Powers, a W. & L. E. brakeman, on Monday. Powers fell from a box car at Somerdale and was dragged a considerable distance. No bones were broken.

Matthew Legg, a miner employed at the Mingwood mine, was struck by an immense rock that fell from the roof, on Tuesday, and sustained injuries internally and to his hips and back. Mr. Legg's son was working near him when the accident occurred.

Frank Welch, president of the local branch of the United Mine Workers of America, while in Massillon, Saturday, said that the miners expected an advance of ten cents a ton on the first of January, and that they were hopeful of getting it without a strike.

Mrs. S. O. Eggert went to Columbus, today, to represent Stark county at the annual meeting of the Ohio State Grange. Mrs. Eggert has the distinction of being the first woman delegate sent out by Stark county, although local granges have been in existence since 1874.

A dime social will be held at the home of Miss Helen Johnson, in North street, Friday evening, December 17. All members of the First M. E. church and friends will be cordially welcomed. Light refreshments will be served and an interesting programme will be given by the children.

Deputy State Game Warden Dangelisen caused the arrest of Michael Greanning, of Marlboro township, today, for killing red birds. It is alleged that Greanning was shooting the birds and selling their wings for fifty cents a pair. He will be tried before Justice Webb, in Canton, this afternoon.

Clinton Lodge No. 47, F. & A. M. elected officers Tuesday night as follows: Howard Garrigues, W. M.; John Gow, S. W.; A. J. Miller, J. W.; Wm. Yost, treasurer; F. Strobel, secretary; T. T. Dillon, S. D.; J. E. Doddridge, J. D.; L. L. Nave and T. J. Falor, stewards; Robert Bell, tyler.

Gus Lambrigger, of Orrville, has returned home with the following list of pets: An East Indian Python, 25 feet, 1 inch in length, and weighing 189 pounds; an Anaconda snake 12½ feet long, weighing 90 pounds; a Hamadryas or Sacred Baboon and a monster Gibbon gorilla from western Africa.

Mr. H. E. Sinnock went to Akron today, where he will endeavor to secure a contract to furnish and plant something like twelve hundred dollars' worth of trees. Sometime next month Mr. Sinnock will plant two full-grown maples at the State school grounds, one on each side of the walk leading to the building.

Trustee J. W. Eggert, of Tuscarawas township, while in Massillon yesterday, said that the \$1.100 which constitutes their poor fund was nearly exhausted, and that there would be much suffering if there should be a long strike and a hard winter. Just now only a few people are receiving assistance, for all the able-bodied men of the township have steady employment.

"There is no harm in smoking if you do it properly," says a citizen whose pipe has been his daily companion for score years and who boasts of the rest of youth. "When you finish smoking a pipeful, take out that nicotine-laden tobacco that remains in the bowl of the pipe, and place it on top of a fresh, so that it will burn first. Then you will always have a clean pipe, and you can more than ever enjoy a good smoke. That's the way they do in the North of England, and its the way everybody should do."

John Annakin, of North Lawrence, was in Massillon, Monday. Mr. Annakin enjoys the distinction of being the only miner in the district who has pushed a car down the mouth of a shaft and not accompanied it. This occurred about ten years ago. Mr. Annakin was employed on the top of the mine, and thinking the cage was up, he started a car for the opening. It fell to the bottom, but in some unaccountable manner Mr. Annakin remained above. Robert Bell, who was mine inspector at that time, said it was the only case of the kind on record.

Chief Game Warden Reutinger has succeeded in arresting a man at Kenton who has frequently violated the state laws by shipping quail outside the state, according to Mr. Reutinger's statement.

He had from 1,000 to 2,000 quail in his possession at the time of his arrest. He pleaded guilty to the charge preferred and was fined \$50 and the costs. New York was the intended destination of the birds confiscated, and they were packed in barrels and labeled rabbits. The fraud was detected, however, and the railway officials refused to carry the game.

Mr. W. J. Clemens, of Portland, Oregon, spent Saturday in town. Ten years ago Mr. Clemens was engaged in retail business here, and this is his first eastern visit in seven years. He is now the senior member of the firm of Clemens & O'Bryan, and his partner is the man who accused Wm. J. Bryan of dropping the family O. Mr. Clemens controls the largest fire insurance business in Oregon, and his risks aggregate many millions. The west, he says, is shaking off its lethargy, farmers are getting good money for wheat, prunes, and hops, and every branch of trade is feeling the improved conditions. Portland now has direct steamship lines to Japan and the Klondike region, and thousands are already gathering to seek the gold country in the spring.

In the presence of members of the two families, Mr. Frank G. Harrison and Miss Pearl Jacoby were married, Tuesday evening, at half past 6 o'clock, by the Rev. Dr. Geo. B. Smith, of the First Methodist church. The ceremony took place at the home of Miss Jacoby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Jacoby, 100 Richville avenue. The lovely fair-haired bride wore a white organdie becomingly made, and her maid of honor, Miss Eva Johns, wore a pink gown of the same material. Mr. Howard Harrison, a brother of the groom, was best man. Miss Marian Bartruff played Mendelssohn's wedding march as the young couple entered. After an elaborate dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison were driven to their own home, in North street. Both bride and groom have a wide circle of friends, and from many of them beautiful presents were received. Congratulations from all sides are pouring in upon Mr. and Mrs. Harrison.

TEACHERS IN SESSION,  
A Report of the Perry and Tuscarawas Township Institute.

On Saturday, December 11th, the teachers of Perry and Tuscarawas townships held their first institute session for this season, in the Myers' school building. Though the weather was very unfavorable, the meeting was a success in every respect.

The following are the names of the teachers present: E. G. Bowers, C. M. Smith, F. A. Hanna, Wm. Masters, Herman Walter, D. W. Walter, Lillie Kyle, Wm. Smith, J. C. Bell, A. I. Mayer and H. H. Gallatin.

The first exercise was a number in grammar. Mr. Bowers made his class drill in this line very technical. The discussion was so prolonged as to make it necessary to postpone the balance of the programme for the evening session.

During the evening intermission the few teachers who were present scattered out and vainly endeavored to eat up all the good things that the people of the district had prepared. Immediately after conveting in the evening the association decided to hold its next meeting in four weeks at the Chapel school, taught by E. D. Bowers.

Then came a very critical illustration of written solutions of problems by H. H. Gallatin. The discussion on the part of the teachers was general and equally technical.

D. W. Walter gave a very clear and pleasing talk on the subject of "School Legislation." Some very interesting points were developed during the discussion, the remarks of J. J. Weller winning the applause of the audience.

Last and best of all was a neat and practical little sermon delivered by S. F. Christman on the subject, "The Teacher as a Moral Factor." In the discussion which followed some difference of opinion seemed to prevail as to the relative responsibility of the parent and teacher in the moral training of the child. The whole of the evening session was interspersed with appropriate songs and declamations by the pupils, and led by Mr. Herman Walter.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, E. G. Bowers; vice president, A. I. Mayer; secretary, Lillie Kyle. The executive committee reported the following programme for the next session.

Written Solutions ..... H. H. Gallatin  
The Secret of Character Building ..... Herman Walter

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## THE DECORATIVE JAPANESE.

Home Ways of Summer Life Among the Mikado's People.

Gardens excepted, there are no outward manifestations of the old poetry of Japanese life so remarkable as the summer houses occupying all the picturesque sites of the country. Whenever there is a view worth going to see you will almost certainly find a summer house built to command it, no matter how wild or poor the district.

You will find summer houses clinging to sea cliffs over the thunder of breakers, nesting in shadows of gorges over the roaring of rapids, strung out over the precipice fronts like eagles' nests at the verge of dead craters, for in Japan there will always be summer guests wherever there is summer beauty, travelers happy to please their eyes and rest their feet and to leave some coppers in payment for the privilege of the vision and the repose.

The summer house at which I am now staying is typical of the class, a skeleton structure of two stories, simply and strongly built after the manner of peasants' dwellings and at a cost of perhaps \$60. Timber is cheap here. On the other side of Japan such building could not be put up for \$300. It stands on the edge of a lofty cliff and overlooks a little bay near ancient Moinoseki. From ground floor to roof it is open on three sides, and on the seaward side shelter from the sun and wind is given by trees rooted in the cliff below, but towering far above the eaves—enormous pines, with branches many feet in girth. Between the zig-zags of those mighty limbs there are glimpses of the sea and fishing sails (cruas or straw) flitting like white or yellow butterflies, and the far pale thread line of the Hoku coast, and Daisen's cone thrusting into the clear sky like some prodigious blue crystal, or looking directly down over the wooded foliage of younger pines, you see the wimpling of the young bathers laughing among the rocks, and children playing with a dead dog's skull. On view the wall is a big hawk as it thought present with vastly different sensuous. After a swim it is ought fit to sleep on, the sharp sweet sea wind in your hair. You are furnished with a bathing dress, sandals, a bit straw hat of curious shape to keep off the sun, bath towels and such a snaking box as a pillow, and the price per day of this enjoyment is—3 cents. The gods are expected to bring his own load with him and to prevent him of with towels—laid aside herein in Atlantic Monthly.

### Gods of the Apostles.

One would think the 12 apostles were rich gentlemen, judging by the freedom with which the ancients assigned them emblems in the way of precious stones. Thus Peter, the Rock, was presented by the hard jasper; Andrew was given the blue sapphire as the emblem of heavenly truth; Bartholomew, the martyr, was assigned the blood red carbuncle; James the affectionate, the white chalcedon, and the gentle, loving John the emerald. With the same view to fitness, James the younger was assigned the topaz, and the enthusiastic and energetic Matthew the amethyst while the sardonyx was the emblem of Matthias, the beryl. Thomas, the chrysoprase, Chalcedon, and the pink hyacinth, Simon of Cana. To the present day the emblem of Matthew is the sacred stone or mannaeum cross and pastoral ring of the Roman Catholics.—Pittsburg Dispatch

### The Cattle of Arbelæ.

Arbelæ which gave its name to the third great battle between Alexander and Darius, is a town in the Turkish vilayet of Kurdistan, on the caravan route between Bagdad and Mosul, about 30 miles southeast of the latter city. The battle, however, was not really fought at Arbelæ, but at a place 30 miles distant, then called Gangamela, now Karneba.

### A Titled Costermonger.

An aristocratic costermonger is what one would hardly expect to find in Shoreditch, yet some years ago this was a favorite character of Lord Lonsdale. It was no unusual thing for this eccentric nobleman to lay aside his dinner dress and robe himself in the corduroys and colored handkerchiefs of the coster, and a capital coster he made, having a pair of lungs like a couple of foghorns and a genius for acting the part which was irresistible.—London Answers.

## LOWELL.

Called the Most Human Man in the Abolition Struggle.

The world, says Woodrow Wilson in The Atlantic, is apt to esteem that man most human who has his qualities in a certain exaggeration, whose courage is passionate, whose generosity is without deliberation, whose just action is without penititation, whose spirit runs toward its favorite objects with an infections and reckless ardor, whose wisdom is no child of slow prudence. We love Achilles more than Diomedes, and Ulysses not at all. But these are standards left over from a ruder state of society. We should have passed by this time the Homeric stage of mind—should have heroes suited to our age. Nay, we have erected different standards and do make a different choice when we see in any man fulfillment of our real ideals.

Let a modern instance serve as test. Could any man hesitate to say that Abraham Lincoln was more human than William Lloyd Garrison? Does not every one know that it was the practical Free Soilers who made emancipation possible, and not the hot, impracticable abolitionists; that the country was infinitely more moved by Lincoln's temperate sagacity than by any man's enthusiasm, instinctively trusted the man who saw the whole situation and kept his balance, and instinctively held off from those who refused to see more than one thing?

We know how serviceable the intense and headlong agitator was in bringing to their feet men fit for action, but we feel uneasy while he lives and vouchsafe him our full sympathy only when he is dead. We know that the genial forces of nature which work daily, equably and without violence are infinitely more serviceable, infinitely more admirable, than the rude violence of the storm, however necessary or excellent the purification it may have wrought. Should we seek to name the most human man among those who led the nation to its struggle with slavery, and yet was no statesman, we should of course name Lowell. We know that his humor went further than any man's passion toward setting tolerant men at a tangle with the new impulses of the day. We naturally hold back from those who are intemperate and can never stop to smile and are deeply reassured to see a twinkle in a reformer's eye. We are glad to see earnest men laugh. It breaks the strain.

### Bits of Wisdom.

A wise woman will have her husband so well trained that when she tells him a thing once it will be enough. Men hate to have a thing "dangled into them," as some of them elegantly express it. I am a very even tempered man, but I think my self praise would suffer a severe shock if my wife told me to order a barrel of flour when we first got up in the morning and then repeated the command six times at the breakfast table, twice while I was putting on my overcoat and gloves and then followed me to the gate to scream it out after me as I turned the corner. Men hate that sort of nagging.

A wise man will not tell his wife any lies, not even little white ones. If he must lie, he will be safer and wiser if he lies to some one less likely to uncover his duplicity. A wife is a regular ferret in a matter of this kind. I never told mine a harmless little fib in my life that she didn't expose me before the sun went down. It is wonderful what clever intuition women have in this direction. It is dismounding to men who are not always absolutely truthful. The best of husbands often feel that there are things they won't "bother wife with"—little complications in their business affairs or little extravagant expenditures in the way of a hotel dinner or some other little harmless affair of which they would just a little rather not speak or in regard to which they may equivocate. But they'd better tell the truth and hold to it. It is always best in the end, as men find out the older they grow. I have found it out with, I trust, most of the years of my life still before me.—Zenas Dane.

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"One touch of nature, you know, old man!"

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## GREAT ON DOG SALMON.

But When It Came to Tyhee the Razorback Overmatched Himself.

Fish eating pigs are as common along the Puget sound waters as kingfishers are on an eastern trout stream. Why, I had an old razorback hog when I was out there that I'll bet could go out any day in any of the streams that tumble into Puget sound and catch more 15 pound salmon in 20 minutes than the best fisherman on the whole Jersey coast is no child of slow prudence.

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**Rich Man, Poor Man.**

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I was stiff and full of pains, my left arm was useless so that I was unable to do even the lightest work. This was my condition when I began to take S. S. S., and a few bottles convinced me that I was being benefited. I continued the medicine, and one dozen bottles cured me sound and well. My system was under the effects of mercury, and I would soon have been a complete wreck but for S. S. S."

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## The Bedouin's House.

The Bedouin's house is round and surrounded by a round wall in which the flecks are penned at night. It is flat roofed and covered with soil, and inside it is as private of interest as it is possible to conceive—a few mats on which the family sleep, a few jars in which they store their butter, and a skin churn in which they make the same. In one house into which I penetrated a bundle was hanging from the ceiling, which I found to be a baby by the exposure of one of its little feet.

Everything is poor and pastoral. He has hardly any clothes to cover himself with, nothing to keep him warm when the weather is damp save his homespun sheet, and he has not a soul above his flock. The closest intimacy exists between the Bedouin and his goats and his cows. The animals understand and obey certain calls with absolute accuracy, and you generally see a Socotran shepherdess walking before her flock, and not after it, and they strike and caress their little cows until they are as tame as dogs.—Nineteenth Century.

### His Flowers.

"I heard in my youth," says Sir Charles Murray, "one of many curious stories of this Sir John Shaw." He was most eccentric in his appearance and dress and cared nothing for tidiness in the grounds immediately surrounding his house. One day he invited two gentlemen from Edinburgh to dine with him at Carnock. As was the custom of the time, they appeared before dinner in knee breeches, silk stockings and thin shoes. The weather being fine, Sir John invited them to take a turn in the garden. Civilly and thoughtlessly they followed their host and soon found themselves skipping among nettles and thistles, to the great discomfort of their unfortunate calves. Sir John, who was clad, as usual, in breeches and top boots, said to them, with polite gravity, 'Step out, step out, gentlemen, ye'll no hurt my flowers.'—Cornhill Magazine.

### Two Poor Ones.

The Boston Transcript recalls a story of Edwin Forrest during one of his Boston engagements. A poor artist called several times to sketch at the old Winthrop House. Each time he brought a picture which he had painted. He finally left it with a note stating that he was in needy circumstances. Forrest read the note and took the wrapping from the picture. It proved to be a painting of himself as Spartacus. Forrest gazed upon it a moment and then ejaculated to the clerk: "Give him \$10. If he is as poor as his picture, he must be on the point of starvation."

That hog of mine got it into his head that he was cut out for better things than yanking weak and tired dog salmon out of water and that tyhee were about his size. I saw him making his way one day very leisurely to a stream that ran toward the sound just back of my mill, and I thought it was a little queer, for there wasn't much in his foraging line in that direction. I was busy, though, and paid no attention to the matter. A minute or two later I heard the hog give a loud squeal of distress, and, looking in that direction, I saw him in the water, struggling to get away from something that had held of him. I ran to give him some help and got there just in time to see the razorback jerked head first under the water and disappear beneath the surface like a stone.

A dead tyhee, maybe a 20 pounder lay half on the shore and half in the water. Marks on it showed that the hog must have captured it. But tyhees weren't invalid dog salmon, and a couple of the captured fish's traveling companions, in my opinion, had rushed to its assistance. Aid was too late and vengeance took its place. The avenging tyhees had just reached out and taken Mr. Razorback by the neck, and, in spite of his resistance, had hugged him in and drowned him. He floated down half an hour or so later and was a little the worst looking pig I have ever seen. If he had been butchered, scalded, scraped and half dressed, he couldn't have looked more torn up. He was the only razorback I ever knew or heard of that tried to fish for tyhees. I was sorry to lose him, for I was counting on making a good deal of money on him, backing him in his line against all comers, but his ambition was fatal to all my hopes.—New York Sun.

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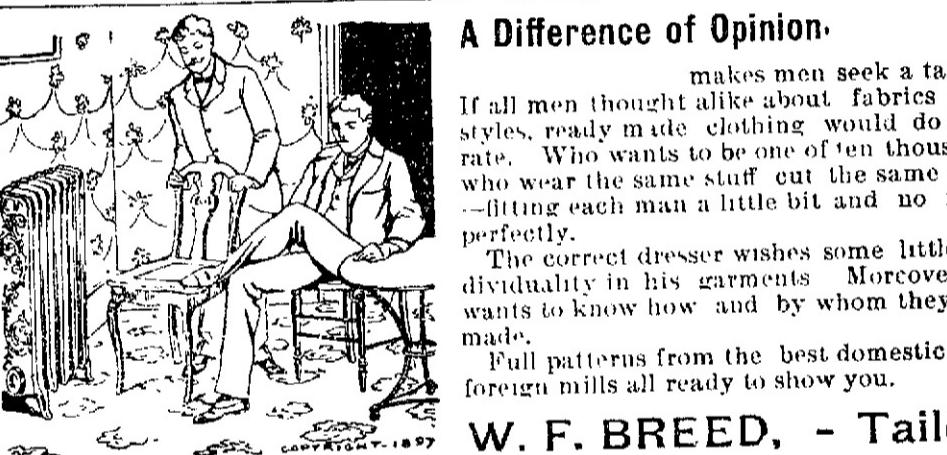
EVA: Every afternoon about 5 o'clock I begin to gape and yawn and I yawn and gape and yawn till bed-time. If I nip one yawn in the bud the next follows almost immediately and is bound to be a regular jaw-breaker.

MAY: I had such an experience myself one time, and I remember asking the doctor whether one should try to keep from yawning, and he said no, that the act of gaping gives to the blood more oxygen and acts by mechanical pressure on the heart and lungs. If one has chronic gaping it is a symptom which should cause the affected one to look after her general health, for it is a sure sign that something is wrong.

MRS. MOORE: It is pretty well understood that yawning is an ailment that comes from indigestion or lack of tone in the system and may be cured by taking a Ripans Tabule before retiring. After a few days of this treatment the tendency will disappear.

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makes men seek a tailor. If all men thought alike about fabrics and styles, ready made clothing would do first rate. Who wants to be one of ten thousand who wear the same stuff, cut the same way, fitting each man a little bit and no man perfectly.

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# CARR'S MANGLED BODY.

Found Sunday Morning Near Crystal Spring.

## A FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

The Victim Sets Out for Home on Foot—Overtaken by a C. L. & W. train and Killed—The Body Undiscovered for Several Hours.

William Carr, aged 22, unmarried, a miner employed at the Millport mine, was killed sometime Saturday night, and buried Monday afternoon at Canal Fulton. Carr resided at Newman, where he lived with his adopted parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Clapper. He was a young man of good habits, and was entirely sober on Saturday night, when he left the dance and cake walk at Crystal Spring, and started to walk home. This was at 11:30 p.m. Carr was accompanied by Arthur Kullogovsky. Carr intended to walk north to Paul's on the Cleveland, Lorain and Wheeling main line. Just above Millport their routes separated, and Carr followed the switch to the Crystal Spring mine which leaves the C. L. & W. line, but almost parallels it for quite a distance. Carr left the track after few moments, and then returned to it, as he supposed. In the darkness he mistook the C. L. & W. main line for the switch and started around a sharp bend. At this point, north bound freight struck him. The fact was not discovered, and early Sunday morning the north bound passenger train also ran over his body. A half hour later a third train ran over Carr's mangled form, and this time the engineer saw it, and sent word back to Crystal Spring.

The fact that the three trains ran over the body is determined by the hour when he left Crystal Spring. The engineer of the train that found the body, detached his locomotive and ran on to Canal Fulton, where Marshal Joseph Ford was taken aboard. Marshal Ford assumed charge of the poor fellow's remains, and they were taken to Canal Fulton and given into the custody of the Lawrence township trustees. The coroner reached Canal Fulton at 1:45 Sunday afternoon, from Massillon. The body was found scattered along the track for a distance of 100 feet. It was dismembered, and almost unrecognizable.

The victim was well liked by his associates, and because of his untimely death, operations at the Millport mine were suspended Monday.

### THE CHILDREN'S HOME.

Some Interesting Facts from the Annual Report.

The report of that excellently managed institution, the Fairmount Children's home, for the year ending Oct. 31, is at hand. The board of trustees consists of E. Teeters, president, Alliance; D. Boyce, East Liverpool; Wm. G. Bentley, Salem; Samuel C. Bowman, Massillon; J. A. Raynolds, Canton.

The superintendent warns township trustees against bringing imbecile children to the home.

Since the organization of the home 1,704 have been admitted of whom 477 had separated parents. At the beginning of the fiscal year, Nov. 1st, 1896, there were 109 inmates at the home. During the year 73 were received, 50 returned to the home, 27 sent to parents or guardians, 4 adopted, 28 indentured, 13 transferred, 6 discharged, 24 out on trial, 1 died, present on Oct. 31st, 1897, 129, received from Stark county 49, received from Columbiania county 23.

The financial statement is as follows: Received from Stark county for expenses ..... \$6,740.63 Received from Columbiania county for expenses ..... 5,242.15 Received from other counties for non-resident inmates ..... 20.03 Received from boarders inmates on private account ..... 247.75 Received from all other sources ..... 100.60 Cash on hand Oct. 31, 1897 ..... 266.71 Total ..... 12,623.84 DISBURSEMENTS: Orders drawn on Stark county for current expenses ..... \$6,710.60 Orders drawn on Columbiania county for current expenses ..... 5,212.15 Cash on hand Oct. 31, 1897 ..... 411.19 Total ..... \$12,623.81 Per capita cost, daily average of 120 ..... 96.57 Per capita, current expenses ..... 99.85 Per capita cost, total expenditure ..... 99.85

**MINERS ARE IN LINE.**

CRYSTAL SPRING, Dec. 13.—District President Frank Welch, of the U. M. W. of A., succeeded in organizing 125 miners employed at the Pleasant Valley mine No. 3, near Elton on Saturday. The meeting was held at the mine and the men by a unanimous vote agreed to again join the union. Mr. Welch says the miners of the Massillon district are thoroughly organized and those that have not yet joined the union are fast falling into line.

### A New Year's Gift Heralded.

The measureless popularity of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has been the growth of more than a third of a century. As in the past, the coming new year will be ushered in by the appearance of a fresh Almanac, clearly setting forth the nature, uses and operation of this medicine of world wide fame. It is well worth perusal. Absolute accuracy in the astronomical calculations will, as before, be valuable characteristics, while the reading matter will include statistics, humor and general information, accompanied by admirably executed illustrations. The Almanac is issued from the publishing department of The Hostetter Company at Pittsburgh, and will be printed on their presses in English, German, French, Welsh, Norwegian, Swedish, Holland, Bohemian and Spanish. All druggists and country dealers furnish it without cost.

### For Over Fifty Years

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for children's teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhea. 25c a bottle.

## THE SULTAN OF TURKEY.

Ex-Minister Terrell Pays Tribute to His Charm of Manner.

Hon. A. W. Terrell, formerly United States minister at Constantinople, contributes "An Interview With the Sultan" to The Century. Mr. Terrell says:

The sultan is over 50 years old, of medium height, with clear olive complexion, dark hair, high forehead and large dark brown eyes. The habitual expression of his face is one of extreme sadness. Though the pashas who attend his palace when ministers or ambassadors are entertained are decorated with regal splendor, he always appears in plain garb, wearing a red fez, a frock coat and trousers of dark blue stuff and patent leather shoes. A broad service sword with steel scabbard, which he holds sheathed in his hand, completes the costume. Sometimes a single decoration is worn on his breast. When he is seen thus plainly attired in the throne-room of his palace, on the first day of the feast of Bairam, seated on an ottoman covered with cloth of gold, to receive the congratulations of his civil and military chiefs, who are all radiant in uniforms and decorations, the contrast is very striking. No Christians but those of the diplomatic corps ever witness this impressive ceremony, which is conducted with the order that distinguishes a military review, but with an oriental servility that an American finds it difficult to understand. On such occasions Osman Pasha stands at the sultan's left, holding a cloth of gold scarf, which all reverently kiss after saluting their ruler.

No sovereign in Europe is more courted or relied in entertaining his guests, and few can be more agreeable in conversation. In his personal intercourse with foreign representatives he is alike free from that stilted dignity which repels confidence and from that absence of real dignity which invites familiarity.

When I first dined at the palace, the sultan sat at the head of the table, with Mrs. Terrell at his right and myself at his left. Osman Pasha, Ismael Pasha, the former khedive of Egypt, the grand vizier and other ministers of state were the other guests.

Nothing could excel the excellence of the courtesy of which he partook with his guests, the table service and decorations, the magnificence of the dining room or the excellence of his wines, which always remain untouched except by Christian guests. Each pasha wore the insignia of his rank, blazing with stars and decorations while the plain costume of the sultan was alone in harmony with my own. No armed men stood guard at the palaces doors and except a detail from the imperial guard, who always salute a foreign representative on his arrival, no soldiers have ever been seen by me within the palace walls on any of the occasions when I have dined there.

### A FEW DON'TS.

Advice That Has a Direct Bearing on Health and Happiness.

Perhaps you have all heard or read the advice contained in the following "don'ts," but it is good enough to be repeated over and over again. We take them from a paper that seems to think as we do about it:

## IN ABSENCE.

Watch her kindly, stars.  
From the sweet protecting skies  
Follow her with tender eyes.  
Look so lovingly at her  
Cannot choose but think of me.  
Watch her kindly, stars!

Soothe her sweetly, night.  
On her eyes, o'erworned, press  
The tired lids with light caress.  
Let that shadowy hand of thine  
Ever in her dreams seem me.  
Soothe her sweetly, night!

Wake her gently, morn.  
Let the notes of early birds  
Seem like love's melodious words.  
Every pleasant sound my dear,  
When she stirs from sleep, should hear.  
Wake her gently, morn!

Kiss her softly, winds.  
Softly that she may not miss  
Any sweet, accustomed bliss.  
On her lips, her eyes, her face,  
Till I come to take your place,  
Kiss and kiss her, winds!

—Phebe Cary.

## ENGLAND WANTED WAR.

Held Back From Fighting France In 1893 by the German Emperor.

The Gaulois, in Paris, recently related in considerable detail that during the Siamese imbroglio of 1893 England was on the verge of declaring war against France. The power that opposed the war most vigorously was Germany. In fact, said the Gaulois, the war was prevented by the German emperor.

"At that time," said the Gaulois, "Emperor William was at Cowes with his yacht. He had won a regatta prize from Lord Dunraven's Valkyne and the Prince of Wales' Britannia. He appeared, literally as well as figuratively, to swim in English waters. It was as he sat at dinner in the house of the Royal Yacht squadron that he received from Count Hatzenfeldt the news that the English government intended to declare war against France. The emperor rose from the table, laid aside his napkin and sent a dispatch empowering his ambassador in London to protest against Lord Rosebery's programme. Moreover, he took himself at once to Osborne House to announce to his grandmother that he never could approve such a course as regards Siam."

Sometimes Paris newspapers publish articles on European politics that lack all foundation in fact, and the amazing story told by the Gaulois might have been dismissed as one of them had it not been confirmed at once by the Koelnsche Zeitung, probably the most trustworthy journal on the European continent. The Koelnsche Zeitung's Paris correspondent was at Cowes with the emperor in 1893. As soon as the Gaulois had made its statement he corroborated it. Among the influential Englishmen at Cowes, he said, it was then common talk that the German emperor was England's ally against Siam and France. Lord Dufferin, then English ambassador in Paris, had come to Cowes to conclude the negotiations for an alliance, but had been met with the emperor's blunt refusal to take the active part that England wished to assign him. The Koelnsche Zeitung's correspondent asserts that the correctness of this statement is absolute and beyond question among the initiated who were at Cowes during the German emperor's sojourn there.

Another pretty present is a Japanese ballet dancer shaving paper case. An ordinary Japanese doll about ten inches high is used for this novel little dancer. Having disrobed the victim of its native gown, proceed to array it in cravat-like paper. The one in question was dressed in light blue, the ribbon used being black. The trousers, which reach just to the end of the unsightly brown muslin and the beginning of the pink knee, are cut from an oblong piece of tissue paper, sewed up the center and shirred at the bottom of each leg to form a ruffle. A waist is cut from a straight piece with two holes cut for the arms, into which is sewed a plain straight sleeve shirred at the end to form a ruffle. This is creased around the center to make the wheel-like effect shown in the illustration. The waist is then shirred around the neck about half an inch from the top to form a ruffled collar. For the skirt cut 20 circles about 4½ inches in diameter and notch their edges, fold in half and then again in quarters without creasing them. Thread these through the pointed end on a strong piece of linen cord and, tying the cord tightly round the waist of the doll, push the frills until they stand out evenly all around. A ribbon is then passed round the waist, crossed in front,

### NOT TALL ENOUGH.

Just at the time when vague reports were beginning to creep abroad that Germany was meditating fresh extension of her frontier at the expense of Holland a Dutch official of high rank happened to be visiting the court of Berlin, and among other spectacles got up to amuse him a review was organized at Potsdam.

"What does your excellency think of our soldiers?" asked Prince Bismarck as one of the regiments came marching past in admirable order.

"They look as if they knew how to fight," replied the visitor gravely, "but they are not quite tall enough."

The prince looked rather surprised, but made no answer, and several other regiments filed past in succession, but the Dutchman's verdict upon each was still the same, "Not tall enough."

At length the grenadiers of the guard made their appearance—a magnificent body of veterans, big and stalwart enough to have satisfied even the giant loving father of Frederick the Great, but the inexorable critic merely said, "Fine soldiers, but not tall enough."

Then Prince Bismarck rejoined: "These grenadiers are the finest men in our whole army. May I ask what your excellency is pleased to mean by saying that they are not tall enough?"

The Dutchman looked him full in the face and replied, with significant emphasis, "I mean that we can flood our country 12 feet deep"—London Tit-Bits.

### Converted.

Small Boy—What'll I do with this money box?

Mamma—Put it away, of course. It has a shilling in it that your aunt gave you and some change your pa and I put in.

"Not now. There isn't any money in it now. I spent it."

"Spent it? What did you do that for?"

"Why, the clergyman preached so hard against hoarding up riches that I got converted and spent what I had."

—London Fun.

### Venice and the Horse.

It is said that some of the Venetians—those who have never been to the mainland—have never seen a horse in all their lives. A showman once brought one to a fair and called it a monster, and the factory hands paid a shilling each to see the marvel—Chicago Inter Ocean.

The nest which is made into soap and eaten by the Chinese is that of a bird closely allied to the swift. The nests are made of gelatinous secretion from the mouth of the bird.

All lovers are alike, and that is why they correspond.—New Orleans Picayune.

## JOLLY LITTLE JAPS.

THE DOLLS UTILIZED FOR HOME-MADE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Ballet Dancer Shaving Paper Case That Is Just Too Cute For Anything—A Fantastic Penwiper and Blotting Pad Makes an Acceptable Gift.

As the holidays draw near there is a great demand for novelties, especially for those that can be made at home.



Two useful and dainty gifts which can be easily made by the average bright American girl are here described.

At a Japanese store, that home of pretty things within the reach of the most slender purses, can be purchased for the sum of 10 cents a lifelike little head with a fringe of wavy black hair protruding from under a paper disk. In the center of this is a hole, through which a cluster is intended to be slipped, but a very fantastic penwiper and blotting pad combined may be readily made instead. Cut two circular pieces of chamois of two contrasting colors (every desirable shade can now be obtained in this leather); the model was made of yellow and royal purple, and having pinned the edges, gather in bunch from the center and fasten with a bit of wire to a burned match. Slip the match through the opening in the top of the head until it rests crosswise inside, thus fixing the penwiper firmly in place. Now cut six squares of blotting paper of the same color as the chamois and lay them alternately one on top of another; then cut a circle of chamois an inch and a half in diameter and lay in the center of the topmost piece of blotting paper. Take the head, make a hole in each side of the neck, and threading a large needle with baby ribbon, pass it from the chamois on top through the last sheet of blotting paper and then back again, this time passing through the hole in the side of the neck. Now take the two ends of the ribbon and tie in a firm knot and then in a dainty little bow. Having made a similar bow on the other side, the novel little gift is finished. The ribbon used must of course be of the same color as the chamois.

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## THE PRESIDENT ARRIVES

He Reaches Washington at Eleven o'clock Today.

## AN ACCIDENT OCCURS EN ROUTE.

The Special Presidential Train Runs Down and Kills a Maximo Man—Doings in Congress—Holiday Recess Agreed Upon by the House and Senate.

(By Associated Press to THE INDEPENDENT)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—President McKinley and party arrived at 11 o'clock.

The House adopted a resolution making the holiday recess extend from Dec. 18 to Jan. 5.

**TRAVERSIE.** Dec. 15.—The President's train passed here early this morning. All occupants were asleep. Twenty minutes after the train left Canton it struck and killed Louis Moinet of Maximo, a laborer walking on the track. The President was much distressed when told of the accident. The remains were taken to Alliance. Moinet's skull was crushed like a broken eggshell. He was about 35 years old and leaves a wife and three children in indigent circumstances.

### NEWS FROM MILLSTREET.

Progress of Work at New Ridgway-Burton Co.'s Mine.

CRYSTAL SPRING, Dec. 16.—O. Crookshank has the typhoid fever...Wm. Fashbaugh, sc., was in Canton last Wednesday...Some of our young sports intend to erect a new club house...Jim Beitel, jr., had his left leg slightly injured while at work in the Hennbrook mine last Saturday...Carl Krushinsky is affected with a painful sore eye...Mrs. Barbara Kiefer is confined to the house on account of sickness...Preparations are being made for an entertainment in the Reformed church on Christmas evening...The Ridgway-Burton company has commenced the opening of a new coal mine in the Mudbrook vein, the coal of which is of an excellent quality. An efficient force of men is at work under the supervision of John Hodgen and the shaft is rapidly being sunk...A few men employed on the south side in the Millport mine were forced to abandon their rooms, because of an unexpected flow of water. The water does not effect the mine any and will soon be pumped out. Boilers will be erected outside and in a short time the water will be under control. The miners that are drowned out have secured rooms on the north side of the mine...James Beitel and Miss Tillie Klein won the cake in the cake-walk at the dance in Pahlau's hall last Saturday evening.

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### A SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

Miss Thompson, of Bolivar, Falls From a Tricycle.

BOLIVAR, Dec. 16.—Miss Thompson, teacher of the primary department of the High-School, met with quite a serious accident on Wednesday of last week. Being crippled with rheumatism, she had purchased for herself a tricycle, in order that she might go to and from her school room with greater ease. On the morning mentioned, she had started to go to her school alone, propelling the tricycle by a lever attachment, and when near the "Bidwell" corner in an effort to avoid a rough place in the walk she lost control of the machine, and was precipitated into the ditch, bruising her right hip. She will be laid up for some time, although at present writing she is improving. Christ Weber is teaching in her place until she is able to work again.

On last Saturday evening a meeting was held in the English Lutheran church for the purpose of organizing an Anti-Saloon League. Quite a number turned out, some through curiosity, others to assist in the organization. The Rev. Mr. Summers made a short address by way of explaining the object of a League and the importance of organized work. A committee was appointed to wait upon the audience, and all who desired could join. Quite a large number subscribed their names and the League was permanently organized by the election of officers: J. B. Baker, president; Isaiah Kline, F. P. Tracy and D. F. Lash, vice presidents; the Rev. Mr. Summers, secretary. The association is called the Lawrence Township Anti-Saloon League.

The "Ollie Forbett" Concert Company filled their engagement, on Monday evening, to the full satisfaction of all present. The violin playing of Miss Forbett was fine, also the singing of the male quartette was as fine as ever heard. Everybody pronounced it the best performance we have had in the village...Fort Lawrence Post will hold a social, on New Year eve, at which the following officers will be installed: Com., S. B. Peirce; S. V. C., A. Gilbert; J. V. C., W. Holderman; O. M., L. A. Helwick; Chap., Sam. Marks; Surgeon J. B. Hickman; O. D., David Robinson; O. G., Daniel Unsell; adjutant, W. C. Keefer...Young Mr. Croft, who was shot in the thigh, by his brother, who carelessly handled a revolver, is improving rapidly...Our confectioner has laid in a heavy stock of candies for the holiday trade. One to see the quantity would think it impossible to dispose of it all...There will be a vacation in the schools during the holiday week...The steam shovel has commenced work near the trestle works, west of town. It will take till spring to complete the hill. The hands, with two exceptions, were brought from other places...Peggie Loss, the colored lady, who was injured by a fall, some time ago, is confined to her bed. The good people of the town should see that she wants for nothing.

### FOUR LONG YEARS.

John Welshenbaugh Found Guilty of Burglary.

CANTON, Dec. 15.—John Welshenbaugh, whose arrest is due to the energy of the Massillon police officers, was found guilty of burglary and larceny by the jury this morning, and was sentenced to spend four years in the penitentiary.

### Household Goods.

The ancient Greeks believed that the Penates were the gods who attended to the welfare and prosperity of the family. They were worshipped as household gods in every home. The household god of today is Dr. King's New Discovery. For consumption, coughs, colds and for all afflictions of the throat, chest and lungs it is invaluable. It has been tried for a quarter of a century and is guaranteed to cure, or money returned. No household should be without this good angel. It is pleasant to take and a safe and sure remedy for old and young. Free trial bottles at Z. T. Baltzly's Drug Store.

### Something to Know.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centers in the stomach, gently stimulates the Liver and Kidneys, and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50¢ or \$1 per bottle at Z. T. Baltzly's drug store.

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### All Over the Globe.

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### Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice at Massillon, Dec. 14, 1897:

### LADIES.

Scherber, Mrs. Anna Stult; Mrs. Josephine MEN.

### WOOD, E. L.

Persons calling for the above named letters will please say advertised.

### FELIX R. SHEPLEY, P. M.

### Notice of Appointment.

The undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Harmon Shadningale, late of Stark County, Ohio, deceased.

Dated the 15th day of November, 1897.

ALBERT SHADNAGLE,  
Administrator.

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